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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS: COMPASS TRIP

REF: DEA MEXICO 339

FIRST THREE PARAS OF REFERENCED DEA CABLE REPEATED FOR
DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION:

QUOTE

1. ON MAY 16, AT 6 PM MEETING AT AG OJEDA PAULLADA'S
OFFICE, MR. SCHLESINGER AND DR. SHELDON-RTD, GAVE EXCELLENT
BRIEFING ON SUBJECT TO AG AND KEY MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF,
RD, DRD, AND EMBASSY NARCOTICS COORDINATOR. DURING TWO-
HOUR MEETING, THE AG REPEATEDLY ASKED PERTINENT QUESTIONS
AND GENERALLY EXPRESSED GREAT INTEREST AND OPTIMISM IN
UTILIZATION AND IMPACT OF THE SYSTEM.

2. AG REQUESTED AND WE AGREED, TO MEET AGAIN ON THURSDAY,
MAY 23, IN PM AT HIS OFFICE AT WHICH TIME HE WILL:
(A) NAME AT LEAST THE ORIGINAL FIVE TECHNICIANS AND
POSSIBLY FOUR ADDITIONAL TO BEGIN TRAINING IN US BY JUNE 1;
(B) PROVIDE DEA, USG WITH LIST OF AIRCRAFT AVAILABLE
TO GOM, WHICH MIGHT BE SUITABLE. MY IMPRESSION IS THAT
AG WILL BE ABLE TO FURNISH AN AIRCRAFT; AND (C) PROVIDE
US WITH A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT ON ESTIMATED COSTS OF FUTURE
HELICOPTER MAINTENANCE, FUEL, SPARE PARTS, ETC. THIS
REPORT WILL ADDRESS THE QUESTION OF HELICOPTER REPLACE-
MENT AND MODIFICATION.

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3. AG EMPHASIZED TO THOSE PRESENT THAT IN ALL REPEAT ALL DISCUSSIONS OR REFERENCES TO THE SYSTEM BY USG OR OTHERS, IT MUST BE CLEARLY STATED AND UNDERSTOOD THAT THEY SYSTEM'S DEVELOPMENT, EXPERIMENTATION, TESTING, ETC. WAS AND IS A JOINT ENDEAVOR OR JOINT EFFORT BETWEEN USG AND GOM. THIS IS VERY SENSITIVE AREA TO GOM. END QUOTE

4. SIMILAR BRIEFING ALSO GIVEN MAY 17 TO AMB. JOVA AND MEMBERS OF EMBASSY NARCOTICS CONTROL COMMITTEE.

5. AT MAY 16 MEETING, ATTORNEY GENERAL ALSO INDICATED THAT, IN ADDITION TO OVERALL SUPERVISION OF COMPAS TRIP EXERCISED BY DEPUTY AG ROSALES MIRANDA, OUR WORKING-LEVEL POINT OF CONTACT WOULD BE WITH GROUP LEADER, ING. QUINONES.

6. OTHER THAN TRAINING MENTIONED ABOVE, NO REPEAT NO SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS CONCERNING EQUIPMENT TURN-OVER OR POSSIBLE FUNDING WERE MADE TO AG, PENDING RESULTS OF HIS INVESTIGATION INTO A POSSIBLY SUITABLE AIRCRAFT AND OTHER STUDIES UNDERWAY BY HIS OFFICE. IN INTERESTS OF SAVING TIME, SUGGEST DEPARTMENT PROVIDE US WITH TWO DRAFT AGREEMENTS TO BE SHOWN AG AT MAY 23 MEETING, ONE BASED ON SUPPOSITION GOM CAN SUPPLY OWN AIRCRAFT, AND THE OTHER INCLUDING GRANT OF SUITABLE AIRCRAFT. JOVA

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